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1. WE ARE PLEASED TO LEARN FROM REFTEL THAT
AMBASSADOR STRAUSS, AND HOPEFULLY AMBASSADOR HINTON
AS WELL, WILL BE IN PARIS SEPTEMBER 27-28. WE ARE
LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVING THE FURTHER DETAILS
PROMISED.

2. BY COINCIDENCE THE FRENCH UNION OF IMPORTERS OF
METALLURGICAL AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT IS HAVING ITS
SEMI-ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING IN PARIS SEPTEMBER 27.
ATTENDEES WILL INCLUDE TOP EXECUTIVES OF SOME 100
MAJOR IMPORTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF HEAVY MACHINERY,
INCLUDING AMERICAN FIRMS LIKE CATERPILLAR. THE UNION
HAS A CONSUMING INTEREST IN THE MTN AND IS ONE OF
THE FEW ORGANIZATIONS IN FRENCH ECONOMIC CIRCLES WHICH
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STRONGLY SUPPORT GREATER TRADE LIBERALIZATION. IF
AMBASSADOR STRAUSS FEELS THAT A FORUM OF THIS KIND
COULD BE USEFUL IN PROPAGATING THE US POSITION AT
THIS JUNCTURE, WE ARE SURE THE UNION WOULD BE
DELIGHTED TO SHARE THE PLATFORM WITH EITHER OR BOTH
AMBASSADORS. PLEASE ADVISE.
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